

Andrew Jackson to Henry Stanton, July 6, 1821, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

TO MAJOR HENRY STANTON.¹

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Manuel's, July 6, 1821.

Sir. By Capt Call last evening, I recd. your letter of the 5th Instant and I regret the inclemency of the weather that retards the unloading of the Lucy Ann. we cannot command Neptune, but when the waves and weather permits, I have full confidence not a moment will be lost on your part; and I have the pledge of the Governor that no delay shall be on his part.

You will please to remark, that you are the Judge whether the field Artillery, as such designated by you, can with convenience go on board the Transports; if they can, being but small and few in number, it is my wish that they be permitted to be put on board by the Spanish garrison, as it will be gratifying to the commandant; and no injury to us. I make this remark now, from the intimation of Capt Call that you have not been instructed on this point heretofore, in which I think he is mistaken. When the weather will permit, you will please notify the Commandant that you are ready to superintend the embarkation of the Artillery and heavy baggage of the officers and Troops, and if you perceive any disposition of delay on their part, have the goodness to remark you are instructed by me, that you have the pledge of the Governor that no unnecessary delay shall take place, that we are paying demurrage on our vessels, and I calculate on expedition whenever the weather will permit.

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On the subject of the Inventory to be taken of the Ordnance etc. a caption has been agreed upon by the Governor and myself, which will be handed to you by him or his officer appointed to act with you on this occasion. It is to be in english, and expresses the cause of the Inventory being taken, towit that they are claimed by me as passing to the U States under the term *Fortification* as used in the 5 article of the treaty. The Governor claims them as not being specifically ceded in said article of the treaty; This subject, with the provisions furnished, and all subjects of Spain furnished with transportation, other than the military officers, troops and their Baggage, are to be referred to our respective Governments for their decision. The ordnance etc. remaining with the U. States. From which you will see, that it will be necessary to have a roster of the Officers and Troops, and the civil officers with the wives and servants of the officers; and a receipt for the provision furnished, all signed by the Governor or proper officer appointed by him for that purpose. I would send you a copy of the heading of the Inventory, but as the one agreed on is in the possession of the Governor made out in english, he will give it to you—and the quality and Caliber of the Guns must be mentioned as well as the quality of all ordnance stores appertaining to the Fortifications and which are noted in the Inventory.

I am sir with great respect.

Yr. mo Ob Servt.

P. S. It is intimated to me that an American prisoner in the Calaboos is intended to be taken. You will permit no American whatever to be put on board the Transport vessels. I have been and am still very unwell, insomuch that it is difficult for me to write